

RESOLUTION.—The Governor General in Council is pleased to adopt the recommendation of the Comptroller General.

ORDERED, that this Resolution be distributed for information and guidance as follows:—

To the several Local Governments and Administrations.

To the Comptroller General, and to the several Accountants General, and Deputy Accountants General in independent charge.

D. BARBOUR,
Under-Secy. to the Govt of India.

NOTIFICATIONS.

LEAVE AND ALLOWANCES.

Fort William, the 30th April 1874.

No. 2696.—The Governor General in Council is pleased to rule that when a public servant is provided with, or receives the cost of a first class passage in a river steamer, and the passage includes mess, he must pay table-money at the rates prescribed in the Resolution of the Government of India in this Department, No. 1467, dated the 23rd July 1866, and may draw half daily travelling allowance under the Resolution of the Government of India in this Department, No. 2284, dated the 24th April 1868, unless he belongs to the Survey Department under the Government of India, or to any other department for which rates of table-money to be paid by officers travelling on river steamers have already been specially prescribed by the Government of India, in which case he must pay table-money at the special rates without receiving half travelling allowance as compensation.

Fort William, the 30th April 1874.

No. 2807.—With the sanction of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India, the Governor General in Council is pleased to rule that when a Civil Officer of Government is deputed on duty to Europe, his allowances during his employment on such deputation shall not, ordinarily, exceed two-thirds of the amount which he would draw were he on duty in India.

SEPARATE REVENUE.—STAMPS.

Fort William, the 30th April 1874.

No. 2768.—In supersession of the Notification by the Government of India, in the Financial Department, No. 2509, dated 22nd August 1873, the Governor General in Council is pleased to direct that when a plaint disclosing a reasonable case on the merits, is presented to any Civil or Revenue Court in such a form that the presiding Judge or Officer without summoning the defendant rejects it, not for any substantial defect, but on account of an entirely technical error in form only, and so as to leave the plaintiff free to prosecute precisely the same case in another form against the same defendant or defendants, the value of the stamp on the plaint shall be refunded on presentation of an application to the Collector of the District in which the Court is situated, together with a certificate from the Judge or Officer who rejected the plaint that it was rejected under the circumstances above described; and that the value of the stamp should, in his opinion, be refunded.

R. B. CHAPMAN,
Secretary to the Govt. of India.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

RESOLUTION.

TELEGRAPH.

Fort William, the 27th April 1874.

No. 269—89, T.

Employment of the Government Telegraph for Service messages.

READ.—

Letter No. 16 of 9th April 1874, from Director General of Telegraphs.

OBSERVATIONS.—In this letter the Director General of Telegraphs has brought to notice that certain

Service telegrams were considerably delayed in consequence of their having been tendered for transmission at a Railway Telegraph Office, instead of at the Government Telegraph Office at the same place.

2. The four messages in question occupied $5\frac{1}{2}$ hours in passing over about 120 miles of railway line, and were then transferred to a Government Telegraph Office, and then occupied 1, 13, 26, and 64 minutes in being transmitted to destination, the distances being about 45, 360, 550 and 800 miles, respectively.

3. It may not be generally known that, whereas on Government lines all messages, except "precedence" ones, are sent in order of receipt at the Office, on Railway Telegraph lines messages relating to the business of the Railway have precedence, and that, consequently, messages not relating thereto, whether private or service, are liable to detention; it appears necessary, therefore, to inform all Government Officers that the Railway wires should not be used for the transmission of service messages at any place where there is a Government Telegraph Office, unless there is some special reason therefor, as for instance, if, at a station with only a 3rd Class Government Office, a message has to be despatched after the hour for closing the Government Office.

ORDER.—Ordered, that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the several Local Governments and Administrations in the Public Works Department for information and guidance, and to the Departments of the Government of India.

Also, that a copy thereof be furnished to the Director General of Telegraphs, for information.

No. 277, F.—To—The Chief Commissioner, Mysore and Coorg.

C. H. DICKENS, Colonel, R. A.,
Secretary to the Govt. of India.